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PROPRIETOR,
JOSEPH WHARTON,
Post Office Address,
BOX 1332, PHILADELPHIA.

AMERICAN NICKEL WORKS,

Camden, N. J., Oct 13 1888

Hon. Daniel M Dox Supt. U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

I have received your letter of October 12th. stating that you are authorized to accept from me 100 000 lbs. of five cent blanks under contract of Oct 20 1887 at 42 1/10 cents per pound; about 2 000 lbs. to be del'd. weekly

You will observe by reference to my bid of Oct. 20 1887 which forms the basis of that contract that it offers "to accept and fill from time to time within twelve months from this date your supplementary orders" &c. Under this wording I could doubtless be called upon to make one such weekly delivery as you mention, but could not be required to make fifty such deliveries extending nearly a year beyond the designated period, and as the metal composing such blanks now costs about six cents per pound more than it did a year ago the point is an important one

After consideration for a couple of days I will reply to you more definitely, and hope to arrive at a satisfactory solution

Yours truly Joseph Wharton

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Camden. N.J.
Oct 13. 1888.

Joseph Wharton.

Received letter from
Supt accepting 100.000
lbs. of 5¢ blanks under
Contract Oct. 20. 1887. at
42 1/10 ¢ per lb.
Refer to bid Oct 20. 1887
which forms basis of
Contract. Will reply more
definitely in a couple of
days.

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[Abstract:] Received letter from Supt. accepting 100,000 lbs. of 5 cent blanks…

American Nickel Works,
Camden, N.J.,
October 13, 1888

Hon. Daniel M. Fox, Supt. U.S. Mint

Dear Sir

I have received you letter of October 12th stating that you are authorized to accept from me 100,000 lbs. of five cent blanks under contract of Oct. 20 1887 at 42 1/10 cents per pound: about 2000 lbs to be deld. weekly.

You will observe by reference to my bid of Oct. 20 1887 which forms the basis of that contract that it offers "to accept and fill from time to time within twelve months from this date your supplementary orders" &c. Under this wording I could doubtless be called upon to make one such weekly delivery as you mention, but surely could not be required to make fifty such deliveries extending nearly a year beyond the designated period, and as the metal composing such blanks now costs about six cents per pound more than it did a year ago the point is an important one.

After consideration for a couple of days I will reply to you more definitively, and hope to arrive at a satisfactory solution.

Yours truly,
Jospeh Wharton